

1 BFA Curriculum Committee  
2 May 18, 2016  
3 Minutes

4 PRESENT: Sally Lindberg, Board Member, Jeff Morrill, Board Member, Chris Mosca, Principal,  
5 Shannon Warden, Assistant Principal, Jesse Byers, Curriculum Director

6 1. Call to Order - Sally Lindberg called the meeting to order at 8:32am.

7 2. Approval of Minutes – March 17, 2016

8 **The minutes were approved as presented.**

9 3. Policy language to bring back to the full board - The committee discussed last board meeting  
10 and feedback on graduation policy. The revised policy with the last line removed will be  
11 warned this afternoon to the public for adoption at the June 7th BFA board meeting.

12 4. Graduation Update - Shannon Warden reported a decrease in students at risk of not  
13 graduating. Teachers and counselors are working hard to support students so that they can  
14 be successful and graduate. For many students, it is a single large assignment that may be  
15 putting them at risk of not graduating right now (community service paperwork not handed  
16 in yet, etc). Sally Lindberg expressed interest in seeing community service at each grade  
17 level. The committee also discussed interest in continuing to have student representatives  
18 on the unified board.

19 5. Scholarships - The guidance department nominates two students each year who have  
20 demonstrated growth and resiliency. This year the awards will be going to Syrah Liles and  
21 Nathan Barbeirri.

22 6. Faculty meeting /LMS system - Chris Mosca reported that the district has gone through a  
23 long vetting process to choose a Learning Management System (LMS). The K-8 schools will  
24 share one system, Haiku, and the high school will be using another system, Canvas, for  
25 Personalized Learning Plans (PLPs) and tracking Transferable Skills and graduation  
26 requirements. Teachers have started the process of learning the system. Shannon Warden  
27 has been working with a team that represents every department. This team presented the  
28 Canvas system to the entire faculty at the May faculty meeting. More professional  
29 development will be planned. This also supports New England Association of Schools and  
30 Colleges (NEASC) accreditation requirements in that it allows the school to track and report  
31 out on the schoolwide expectations. The school will be developing a handbook and  
32 presenting it at orientations and open houses.

33 7. Next Meeting Date - The committee will reassemble in October - the date is to be  
34 determined.

35           8.     Adjourn

36           **Sally Lindberg adjourned the meeting at 9:12am.**

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38           Respectfully submitted,

39           Brenda Comstock

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